

THE CAMPAIGN WILL BE A FAME ONE COMPARED WITH THAT OF 1896

Republicans Will Not Have As Much Money to Spend and Will Confine Their Principal Efforts to a Few Congressional Districts—Political News and Gossip.

The campaign in Virginia will be a tame affair as compared with that of four years ago. In 1896 nearly every man, woman and child in this State talked politics. Much bitterness was aroused. Friendships of long years' standing were temporarily broken, and many cases, and permanent in some instances, broken. That was a contest that will never be forgotten. It is different now. People are disposed to view the issues involved calmly and dispassionately. Partisans of Bryan or McKinley are disposed to treat each other with more consideration. The change of political views among the voters of this State has not been very marked up to this time. There are some who voted against Bryan and are now supporting him and a few, perhaps, who opposed McKinley who will vote for him in November.

The campaign will open up in earnest about the first of September. The Republicans have not as yet "shown their hand." Four years ago they received considerable financial support from the National Committee, but they can hope for nothing of the sort this year. No effort will be made by the national leaders to carry Virginia for the Republican ticket. Four years ago they thought this State was "tough ground." The result proved that they were mistaken. It is understood that the National Committee will give help to the party in a few districts in the hope of electing two or three Congressmen. Judge Waddill, who directed the Republican campaign in 1896, is now out of politics, having been appointed to the Federal bench. James D. Brady, who was his leading lieutenant, is in poor health and will hardly be able to do any political work. The Republican campaign will be directed by Park Agnew, Colonel S. Brown Allen, George E. Bowden, and other leaders.

The Democrats will pay a great deal of attention to organization. They will concentrate their efforts in the few districts that are regarded as doubtful. There will be no far-reaching canvasses in every precinct. The Democrats will not neglect the "talking feature" of the campaign. Virginians are fond of stump oratory. Nothing pleases them more than to hear a speaker with the ability and the courage

to "sail into the opposition," tear the hide from it and expose the weak spots of the adversary. Daniel, Martin, Montague, Jones, Swanson, "Dick" Marshall and other popular speakers, including the Congressional nominees and the electors, will spend all of their available time in rallying the voters to Bryan.

The Democratic orators will discuss chiefly the issue of imperialism. They believe more voters can be gained by such arguments than any others that might be used. Much will be said by the orators about getting down the trusts and the silver question will not be ignored. Senator Daniel's services will be in great demand. He will be invited to accept anything like all the invitations he receives to make addresses.

An attorney-general Montague is also in great demand, and so is Mr. Swanson. There is talk of trying to secure "Joe" Blackburn, of Kentucky; Charles B. Aycock, of North Carolina, and other noted stumpers to make speeches in the Ninth and Tenth Districts.

The gubernatorial contest has already opened up in earnest, and the candidates and their friends are doing some hustling. Nearly all the leading Richmond politicians have pledged their support to Mr. Ely. Each of the five candidates has a strong personal following. It is almost certain that a convention will be called to meet much earlier than usual for the purpose of making nominations.

It is practically settled that Edmund W. Hubbard will succeed Mr. Flood in the Senate. He is at present a member of the House. Mr. Hubbard, who is a man of ability, enjoys the distinction of having served in both branches of the Legislature at the same session. He was unopposed by the Senate in 1893 in favor of Pembroke Pettit. The member of the House from Buckingham died and Mr. Hubbard was chosen to fill the vacancy. The Senatorial district embraces Appomattox, Buckingham and Fluvanna.

MISSIONARIES NOW AT WORK IN CHINA WHO ARE WELL KNOWN IN RICHMOND

Miss Lottie Moon, Rev. Samuel T. Williams, Miss Alice Parker, Dr. R. H. Graves, Mr. and Mrs. Chambers and Others Who are Near the Scene of the War Troubles in the East.

The recent events in China have caused the remainder of the world to turn its eyes towards the Celestial Empire and take cognizance of its presence on the map. Chinese history, accounts of Chinese customs, religion, literature, anything now known of the vast empire, and carefully read with a view towards creating a better understanding of the present situation there; and, lastly, the missionaries, against whom the persecution is being waged, are being brought into such prominence as they have never enjoyed.

Virginia has contributed her quota to the evangelization of China, and, naturally, here interest centers mainly around them. But many of those from other States are also well-known here, and mention of them will be intelligently read by many.

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, which board has its headquarters in this city, has several persons, natives of Virginia, in its band of foreign mission workers, and who are now in China. The board is still hopeful of the result of the disturbances in China. A prominent member said a few days ago that it was sad to observe that the croakers, skeptics and scoffers have joined voices in decrying foreign mission work. He said that the plain truth is that in spite of the clouds of war the prospects were never so bright as now. It is a miserable slander on the missionaries to say that they carry on their work under the cover of gunboats. Hardly an instance is known where they have ever appeared in the civil powers of the sword.

WELL-KNOWN VIRGINIAN.
Of the board's missionaries in China Miss Lottie Moon, who was in North China, in the Shantung province, not very far from the scene of war troubles, is a well-known Virginian. She was reared in Charlottesville, Va., baptized by the late John A. Broadus, and has been for many years in North China. She is a well-educated and highly-cultured woman, and stands in the front among all missionaries of all denominations. She is now probably in Japan, where she will stay until the war clouds break and the situation justifies her return to work.

Rev. Samuel T. Williams was born in Boyd County, Va., in 1862, but his parents removed to Texas in his early youth. With the well-known and highly-esteemed missionary, Dr. R. H. Graves, at Canton, The public should understand that though work in South China has been interrupted it still continues. Letters received from missionaries in and around Canton show that the work is still going on, though the women and children have been sent to Hong Kong and Macao for safety. One letter reports two baptisms in Hong Kong as a result of the preaching of the gospel.

Miss Alice Parker, who was stationed at Ching Kiang, which is at the confluence of the Yangtze River and the Grand Canal, is a native of Bedford County, Va. She was born in 1868. She was sent out in July of last year, after training in the Union Missionary Training Institute in New York. She was doing good work up to the time of her enforced departure from Ching Kiang.

One of the best-known lady missionaries of Southern Baptists is Miss Lula Whilden, \$100-REWARD-\$100

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Tales Gathered Here and There
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MR. WARTHEN MAKES IT PLAIN.

An Episode of the Telephone—Church Erected in Horse's Memory. Richmond's Enthusiastic Philatelists.

Captain J. C. Dome, the well-known traveling passenger agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio, is a general "good fellow" with a hundred and one good stories to tell you and help you forget your troubles. Captain is responsible for the following tale regarding the affable chief clerk to Mr. John D. Potts, assistant general passenger agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio.

Mr. W. O. Warthen is the chief clerk in question, and, according to Captain Dome, Mr. Warthen was recently compelled to exercise his ingenuity in order to make a new acquaintance understand just what his name is.

"Ah, yes, Wythen, happy to know you, sir, Mr. Wythen," said the gentleman to Mr. Warthen after the introduction. "I am afraid you did not catch my name," responded Mr. Warthen. It's Warthen, not Wythen."

"I beg your pardon, responded the transgressor, 'a mistake, I assure you. Certainly, sir, Mr. Warthen, a mistake. I assure you."

The Captain says that "Willie" was beginning to look worried just about that time, and started to go through his clothes in search of a card-case. "He finally found it," says the Captain, "but, as luck would have it, there was not a single one of his cards in it. Meanwhile, 'Willie' was fast becoming desperate, for the new acquaintance persisted in calling Wythen, Warthen, Witham, and most any name that happened to strike his fancy, save the one Warthen. Finally Willie could stand it no longer, and, seizing hold of the lapel of the transgressor's coat,

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brought him 'round face to face, and, looking him in the eye, began:

"My dear sir, when in eighteen hundred and ninety-eight the United States and Spain had a little trouble, and some shooting was done, we had a war, didn't we?"

"Yes," responded the somewhat surprised individual, who did not know what was coming next.

"We do not have that war on our hands now, but we did have some fun then," continued the aggrieved man. Well, my name is just like that. It is war-t-b-l-e-n-t, see?"

Captain Dome says that the new acquaintance "caught."

There is trouble brewing in a West-End home, and it but requires a little place to start a conflagration of no mean proportions; at least, that is what those who are on the "inside" say. They are people not long married, and John still likes to spend an evening once in a while with "the boys" at the club.

Several of "the boys" decided that a little game, for the pleasure of it, would be a delightful way to pass an evening, and asked John to join them. Now, John was at his office down-town one afternoon not long ago when the phone bell rang and Charlie, at the other end, suggested that George and Lilly had that night off, and proposed the evening's pastime. John replied that he had an engagement to go to the theatre that evening, and could not join them. He was mighty sorry.

John went back to his desk, but the more he thought of it the stronger became his desire to join the trio. Finally he called up his wife, and after telling her of the "severe and sudden illness" of a friend, started that he would take dinner down-town and go around to the house of the friend immediately afterward. Apparently all was smooth sailing, but his helpmate for life neglected to take the "phone receiver" from her ear when John immediately afterward called up Charlie. This is what she heard:

"Hello, Charlie, that you?"

"Yes, that's John?"

"You bet it is! I'll be with you boys tonight."

"Oh? Thought you were going to the theatre?"

"So I was, but I called up the house and told her that I was going 'round to see the friend who was taken suddenly ill. How's that old fellow? Worked like a charm! Not an old man yet, but you don't see any green in that eye of mine, do you, eh? Well, have that little game. Where shall we meet?"

Just then there was a third party in the field. It was a feminine voice that interrupted the conversation of the conspirators. John recognized the voice. All that was said was:

"And I promised to 'love, honor, and obey'."

Old Dominion also boasts one of the official stamp journals of the country in the Virginia Philatelist, a bright little monthly magazine, devoted to the cause of philately. In the current issue the Virginia Philatelist suggests "that Alaska should complete the trio of his commemorative issues by a 'war stamp' with the suggestive scene of a Jap plucking the chestnuts from the fire for the Powers." Another suggestion is that "Great Britain issue a 'famine stamp' in behalf of her starving subjects in India."

Under the subject, "More Ploughing of Neglected Ground," Mr. John Paalow suggests that a "neglected field in the revenue-stamp line is to be found in stamps printed on checks and other documents. Mr. Paalow is the review editor of this novel publication, and he and the proud possessors of collections that compare favorably with any private collections in existence. The latter make a specialty of Confederate issues.

There is an up-town man who is now hard at work searching the statutes for a law under which dogs can be arrested. He has consulted several lawyers on the subject, but none could aid him. The trouble, it seems, occurred a few nights ago, and his story is that "we were all sitting out on the steps when along came a youth attached to one end of a chain that had a big mouthful of the other. That he, on passing, caught sight of my wife's favorite pet, a big Maltese cat. There was a growl, a yowl, and a skirmish. The cat started down the hall for the dining-room with the dog in hot pursuit. There was a rush, then a crash. The table was overturned, and the dishes, from the way they were scattered around, you would have thought that the partition of China was already an accomplished fact. We can't find the cat, and my wife has the hysterics. The only thing the fellow did was to pat the dog's head and call him 'good boy.'"

"I'm hunting up the law, I am."



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REV. DR. RUSSELL CECIL.

Rev. Dr. Russell Cecil, of Selma, Ala., who has been called to the pastorate of the Second Presbyterian Church to succeed Rev. Dr. Donita Guthrie, is a man of great ability. Dr. Cecil was visited at Bedford City last week by a committee from the Second Church and he now has the matter under advisement, and declines to give any answer until he has well weighed the subject on all its bearings. He has had numerous and flattering calls to prominent churches at many points, but until this call to Richmond has promptly declined them all.

Rev. Russell Cecil, D. D., pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church of Selma, was born 47 years ago in Nicholasville, Ky. His collegiate education was acquired at Princeton University, where he

but in the Theological Seminary as well. He has since that time been teaching in this month's course in the famous Presbyterian school in Edinburgh and the remainder of the time traveling through Palestine and the Holy Land. These eight years were mostly in preparation for his ministry, and though he was licensed to preach before their term was through, he never accepted a charge until he returned home after his tour through foreign lands.

He then commenced preaching in Nicholasville. He went from there to Hrodsburg and thence to Mayville, from which latter place he came to Selma in May, 1898, succeeding Rev. T. W. Hooper, now of Christiansburg, Va.

Successor to eminent a divine and beloved pastor as Mr. Hooper, it was not an easy matter to please the congregation of the Selma church, but from the start Dr. Cecil won his way into the hearts of his people until today to give him up would be to lose the severance of the bonds that unite the members of the same family. Eleven years he has been in Selma, each

year seeing the bonds of love and affection being wound closer and closer around those with whom he came in contact and to whom he ministered until the very thought of having to receive his resignation brings poignant grief, and the fact that he is even considering the call that has been made to him causes many expressions of the hope that he will not accept.

A PROFOUND SCHOLAR.
Dr. Cecil is a profound scholar and a well rounded man. His sermons are models in diction and full of force. He is the sort of ministry that constantly improves and his congregation gets the benefit of his daily research. One carries home with him from the church where Dr. Cecil has preached something to remember and treasure up in the storehouse of knowledge.

He is a true-born Southerner. At Princeton, where the temptation is ever present to vote president with ambition, to cast their lot with the Northern Presbyterian Church he would listen to nothing that sought to lure him away from the Southern Presbyterian and dedicated himself early in life to that purpose. He has remained loyal to the South since he has been in Selma to churches affiliating with the Northern branch of the church, and has also refused equally as flattering calls from Southern churches, preferring to remain in the South.

Among this number was a call to Louisville, Ky., but a few years since.

The degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon him both by a Kentucky college and by Princeton, he being among the few Southern men ever having received this distinction from Princeton University.

ONE OF THE LEADERS.
At the present time, in the prime of his manhood, he is looking upon his position as a leader in the Southern Presbyterian and his influence throughout this section is widespread. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of "The Agnes Scott Institute" of Decatur, Ga. He is also a member of the Board of the Columbia Seminary of Columbia, S. C., and is a prominent member of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern General Assembly with headquarters at Nashville. At the recent assembly held in Richmond he was secretary of the Committee on Foreign Missions. Dr. Cecil was sent as a delegate to the recent Ecumenical Conference held in the city of New York and no position in the work of that church of two ones could be better fitted to be filled by him.

During his pastorate in Selma his church has steadily grown until it is easily the first church in the State. A new church building was built by the congregation in the year of the financial panic, and every dollar of the \$25,000 required to build it was paid before the dedication services occurred.

His worth, his ability, his influence for good, his scholarly attainments, his joviality, his constant keeping his people in fear that such a "light could not be hid under a bushel," and that sooner or later a call would come that would draw him away and they are now anxiously awaiting for his decision.

TRAVELER GETS
DOWN HIS GRIP

Members of Post A Planning for Winter Season.

THE PRESIDENT'S TALLY-HO TRIP

Philadelphia Contingent Shows Richmond Representative A Big Time—Forming Ladies' Auxiliary.

Very little has been going on in T. P. A. circles within the last month, on account of the hard weather and the Chairman of the Post A Committee has been on a vacation down at Virginia beach and Old Point, President Saunders has also been out of the city on a business trip, and his Philadelphia friends gossiped him up during his absence in Philadelphia by giving him a little trip. This is what a Philadelphia paper had to say about it:

ON TALLY-HO TRIP.

As well as an increase in membership—an example worthy of emulation. The affairs of the association are under a conservative administration, and none will quarrel for a moment question any of its business methods. The workings of the T. P. A. are as an open book. There is nothing to hide, and it is a fact that each year will see more members join in accomplishment of ends desired, which will bring further comfort and accommodations. Again, as long as the world stands there will be another class who stand back until the work is done, then rush forward with slander on their lips to partake of that which they refused to fight for, and abuse those who accomplish so much. But it is an old saying that there is some honor among all classes of people, and it may be that, in their hearts, these slanderers will some day appreciate the truth sufficiently to come forward and join the ranks of those gentlemanly traveling men who work without pay for the association, which bears honor and dignity in all its work. Everybody can not join, and the question of eligibility is rapidly weeding out many who apply.

It is possible that some question will arise, and it is members have been "refused." Yet the Travelers' Protective Association will live on and on, and each year will see it grow stronger and better.

LADIES' AUXILIARY.
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A merry party of Philadelphia commercial travelers, with C. W. Saunders, general agent of the Pennsylvania division of the Travelers' Protective Association, as the guest of honor, left the Hotel Imperial shortly after three o'clock yesterday afternoon for Indian Rock Hotel, where a program of entertainment included in which was a splendid supper.

The party was composed of Harry G. Fallow, president of the Pennsylvania division, T. P. A., Alexander McQuilken, secretary and treasurer; M. D. Johnson, first vice-president of the National Travelers' Protective Association, and chairman of the Pennsylvania division's Legislative Committee; Frederick R. Casey, chairman of the Hotel Committee; Isaac Levy, chairman of the Employment Committee; and Fred H. McIntire, William S. Schindler, William Gehring and Fred Fallow, directors; Herbert Russ, William Beckrich, A. A. Jackson and Harry B. Otter.

The return from Indian Rock was made in time to allow President Saunders to catch the 3 o'clock train for Richmond. The Virginia division of the Travelers' Protective Association for its next annual meeting, and Mr. Saunders has promised Pennsylvania delegates an exceptionally good time during convalescence.

SOME OF THE T. P. A.'s in other States are getting up summer excursions for the stay-at-homes, and recently a most enjoyable outing was given by Post J, of Evansville, Ind.

But Post A, Virginia division, is looking forward with a great deal of interest and satisfaction to the course of lectures, to be given this fall and winter, by the most distinguished orator in this country, among them being Governor Bob Taylor, Hon. George R. Wendling, Hon. Alfred Taylor, Dr. Homer T. Wilson and Hon. Luther Manship.

The following committee has charge of this feature of the entertainments: R. W. Siplin, Colonel John S. Harwood and J. L. Hill.

"How jealous I am of that button which bears the colors of the Blue and White," said an old-time traveling man, as he pointed to the "T. P. A." adorning the lapel of his coat. "This association has been kind to me. Its assistance has been more than I can tell. I suffered, and it came to my rescue, nobly and true. I simply complied with the constitution and by-laws in filing my papers, and the association did the rest." That tells the whole story. The Travelers' Protective Association is probably more often assailed than any other traveling man's organization; but each year shows all legitimate claims

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